

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MASS ET SO UR US  
SUBJECT: SOVIET/CUBAN SUPPORT FOR ETHIOPIA

REF: STATE 198297

1. RE PARA 4 REFTTEL, WE ARE PUZZLED THAT DEPT IS NOT RECEIVING NEW REPORTS CONCERNING SOVIET ARMS DELIVERIES TO ETHIOPIA, SINCE WE HAVE BEEN REPORTING RIGHT ALONG THROUGH OTHER CHANNELS IN SOME DETAIL ON THIS SUBJECT. LATEST WAS DATED AUGUST 13. IF DEPT HAS SOMETHING SPECIFIC IN MIND, WE SHALL BE GLAD TO TRY AND FIND OUT ANSWERS.

2. SAME IS TRUE FOR CUBAN PRESENCE. WE HAVE HAD LESS TO SAY ON THIS SUBJECT SINCE THERE HAS BEEN NOTHING MUCH TO  
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REPORT. TO BEST OUR KNOWLEDGE THERE ARE APPROX. 150 CUBANS HERE INCLUDING MEDICAL AND MILITARY TRAINING (APPROX. 80) PERSONNEL, PLUS EMBASSY STAFF (16). WE HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO SUBSTANTIATION OF WILD STORIES BEING SPREAD BY SOMALIS ELSEWHERE OF THOUSANDS OF CUBANS HERE, THERE, OR SOMEPLACE ELSE IN ETHIOPIA. AGAIN, IF DEPT HAS SOMETHING SPECIFIC IN MIND, PLEASE LET US

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